

# Fairmount Avenue United Methodist Church

a Reconciling Congregation

## Our Vision Statement

*To be a joyful, welcoming community  
igniting hearts and minds for God's work.*

March 31, 2024

*Easter Sunday*

9:00/10:30am

**Welcome to worship at Fairmount Avenue United Methodist Church!**  
**We are so glad that you are worshipping with us today.**

- *Masks are welcome, but no longer required.*
- Our service will be livestreamed. If you are concerned about your image on the livestream, the greeters can assist in finding a place to sit not visible by camera.
- We want to pray with you. Feel free to complete a prayer card located in the pew in front of you and place into the offering plate when passed, or give to an usher.
- HEARING AIDS AND LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNALS are available for those who prefer. Our ushers are happy to assist you.
- Nursery care is available for children ages 5 and under. The nursery is located off of the Wesley Room, west of the sanctuary. Our ushers are happy to assist you.
- If you are sitting at the end of a pew, please mark your name in the attendance pad and pass along to others in the pew.
- Gender inclusive and family bathrooms are available for all. Our ushers are happy to assist you.

PRELUDE

*Overture*

G.F. Handel

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

*Praise We in Songs of Victory*  
Adult Choir

Traditional

\*PRAYER OF INVITATION †

Jesus, remember us when you come into your kingdom. Hear our intercessions.

For your church around the world,

***we ask new life.***

For all who carry our ministries in your church,

***we ask grace and wisdom.***

For people who have accepted spiritual disciplines,

***we ask inspired discipleship.***

For Christians of every land,

***we ask new unity in your name.***

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For Jews and Muslims and people of other faiths,

***we ask your divine blessing.***

For those who cannot believe,

***we ask your faithful love.***

For governors and rulers in every land,

***we ask your guidance.***

For people who suffer and sorrow,

***we ask your healing peace. Amen.***

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Let us greet each other in the name of the Risen Christ. Peace be with you.

***And also with you.***

**\*HYMN**

“Christ the Lord is Risen Today”

UMH No. 302

**ANTHEM\***

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

Hymn 140

Children’s Handbell Choir

**CHILDREN’S TIME\***

*Children are invited to come forward as parents are comfortable.*

*Please note that children who come forward may be visible on the livestream.*

**ANTHEM**

*Sing Ye in Joy*

Sergei Rachmaninoff

Adult Choir

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

*Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing*

arr. Jason Krug

Heritage Ringers

**\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

UMH No. 94

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!*

*Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

**\*PRAYER OF BLESSING**

**\*HYMN**

“Easter People, Raise Your Voices”

UMH No. 304

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

*We now offer petitions of joy and concern from prayer cards.*

Lord in your mercy... ***hear our prayer.***

In gratitude let us pray to the Lord... ***hear our prayer.***

*Prayers lifted during this time are shared with our Prayer Chain, a group of individuals who have covenanted to being in prayer with and for our congregation.*

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

***Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.***

ANTHEM	<i>Talkin' 'Bout Jesus</i> The Band	Gloria Gaynor
SCRIPTURE READING	John 21:1-19	
SERMON	<i>Bread and Fish</i>	Rev. Shawna Horn
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH †† Let us lift our voices and affirm our faith. <b><i>I am sure that nothing can separate us from God's love— not life or death, not angels or spirits, not the present or the future, and not powers above or powers below. Nothing in all creation can separate us from God's love for us in Christ Jesus our Lord!</i></b>		
*HYMN	"Come and Find the Quiet Center"	<i>see insert</i>
BENEDICTION		
CHORAL RESPONSE	<i>Hallelujah Chorus</i> Adult Choir All are invited to join together in song when cued	<i>see insert</i>
POSTLUDE	<i>March Bourée</i>	G.F. Handel
GO IN PEACE.		

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***\*Congregation, please rise in spirit, and stand as you are comfortable.***

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†† From Romans 8:37-39

\* Only 10:30am service

#### SPECIAL MUSICIANS:

*Trumpeters:* Matthew Lemanski, Blake Butenhoff

*The Band:* Matt Anderson, Curt Bergman, Rob Koontz, Andrew Lubar, and Brad Neuhauser

#### LAITY ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP:

*Liturgists:* Lizzie Peterson (9:00am), Kathryn Coquemont (10:30am)

*Ushers:* Katherine and Clare Lubar, Sandra Burrowes (9:00am),

Tom Ihlendfeldt, Matt Anderson, Dan Thielen (10:30am)

*AV Booth:* Josiah Horn

*Nursery:* Evelyn H., Ashton Pappas

*Counters:* Phill Gill, Mike Neuberg

*Counters Next Week:* Robert Boucher, Phill Gill

*Fellowship Servers:* Brian & Nita Hanson, Bruce Forbes, Tom & Pam Vitulli

*Fellowship Servers Next Week:* Rob & Jen Koontz, Nate & Amy Woodward

*If you have swapped serving dates, please inform the church office so that service recognition is accurate. Thank you!*

## Here's What's Happening at Fairmount Avenue

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6:30pm— Heritage Ringers rehearsal

7:45pm— Adult Choir rehearsal

### Sunday Morning Programming: April 7\*

10:00am— Fellowship Time (Coffee Hour)

10:30am— Worship

\**First Fruits collection*

***The submission deadline for the May newsletter is tomorrow, April 1. Please send all materials to the church office no later than end of day. Thank you!***

### This Week's Happy Birthdays go to:

- 1 Pamela Vitulli
- 2 Emily Gill
- 3 Lois Wogen
- 4 Roger Bombeck
- 5 Jayden L.
- 6 Corrin Wendell

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### FAIRMOUNT AVENUE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

#### MINISTERS: *The Congregation*

<i>Pastor</i>	Rev. Shawna Horn	<i>Heritage Ringers</i>	Mindy Way-Johnson
<i>Music/Choir Director and Organist</i>	Michael Ferguson	<i>Parish Nurse</i>	Muriel Olson
<i>Children's Ministries Director</i>	Ashton Pappas	<i>Custodial Ministries</i>	Kirsten Herkenhoff
<i>Youth and Young Adult Ministries</i>	Cindy Radtke	<i>Administrator/Communications</i>	Elizabeth Herge

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# Happenings at Fairmount

Week of March 31, 2024

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### **Re-Spark Your Faith! Intergenerational Sunday School on April 14**

All people of all ages! Join us for fun songs, games, and activities, all flexible and adaptive to all ages and comfort levels of moving! Activities begin at 9:00am in the Wesley Room.




### Go Deeper: Igniting Hearts and Minds

**Midweek Bible Study**— Wednesdays at 12:00pm via Zoom. Join Pastor Shawna for a time of discussion, prayer, and connection. No preparation required. Drop in when you can! Meeting link is available in the Monday Meditations email, or use this meeting ID to join: 862 8716 4931

**Explorers T.G.I.W.**— **NO supper this week, April 3, but join movie night at 6:00pm!** No T.G.I.W. activities next week, April 10. T.G.I.W. activities for Explorers, children PreK-5th Grade, are Wednesdays, 6:30-7:00pm. Email Ashton Pappas, Director of Children's Ministries, at [ashton@faumc.net](mailto:ashton@faumc.net) for more information. Thank you, Explorers, for bringing in your offering for our Lent Coin Collection! After Easter, we will count our total collection and decide where to give this year.

**Explorers Sunday School**— *NO Sunday School activities next Sunday, April 7. The following Sunday, April 14, Explorers are invited to an intergenerational morning of faith formation: Re-Spark Your Faith!* Sunday School for Explorers is held 9:00-10:00am. Also April 14, Explorers handbell rehearsals resume at 9:50/10:00am after Sunday School. Email Ashton Pappas, at [ashton@faumc.net](mailto:ashton@faumc.net) for information.


**Followers T.G.I.W. Youth Group**— **NO supper this week, April 3, but join movie night at 6:00pm.**

 *No T.G.I.W. activities next week, April 10.* T.G.I.W. for Followers, youth 6-12th Grade, are held Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30pm. Come often; come when you can! We build community through games, activities, prayer, and faith in action. Each night is a stand alone activity and new people are always welcome! *Use the QR code to view the full weekly newsletter on Followers' events.*

**Followers Youth Sunday Faith Formation**— *NO activities next Sunday, April 7. The following Sunday, April 14, Followers are invited to an intergenerational morning of faith formation: Re-Spark Your Faith!* Usual Followers Faith Formation is on Sundays, 9:00-10:00am. Come often; come when you can! We'll have fun icebreaker questions, a game/activity, and discussions on community based in Acts. Reach Cindy, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries, at 763/321-8077 or email at [cindy@faumc.net](mailto:cindy@faumc.net) with any questions.

**Co-planned Followers and Y.A.M. Earth Day Service Project**— Sunday, April 21, 11:30am-3:00pm. Bring a lunch to eat after church while hanging out and getting to know each other. The area of clean-up will be announced after finding out how the City Cleanup went on April 20. We may clear drains and/or pick up trash on other roads. RSVP by texting/calling Cindy at (763)321-8077 or email [cindy@faumc.net](mailto:cindy@faumc.net).

**Y.A.M. Faith Exploration**— Sundays, April 7 and 28, 11:45am-12:45pm. Come often; come when you can!

 All young adults (ages 18-30) invited. Discuss Music and Spirituality and other topics chosen by YAMs. For hybrid link, contact Cindy, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries, at 763/321-8077 or email at [cindy@faumc.net](mailto:cindy@faumc.net). *Use the QR code to view the full weekly newsletter on Y.A.M events.*

**Y.A.M. Potluck and DnD Game Night**— Sunday, April 14, 5:00-9:00pm, hosted by Blake. Join supper and play Dungeon and Dragons, **all player levels welcome!** **RSVP to this QR code by April 7** so that Blake can plot the game and characters. Please indicate any DnD experience and what you plan to bring for the potluck. Contact Cindy with any questions or for more information.



## Serving Together: Doing God's Work

### **Thank you to our volunteers who help make worship happen. You are invaluable!**

We are looking for more Sunday morning volunteers to be greeters, lay readers, and audio/visual technical support. Please contact the church office at [admin@faumc.net](mailto:admin@faumc.net) if you would be willing to volunteer.

**Or come play in the nursery!** Volunteer to be in the nursery with the littlest members of our church family! Sign up for just one Sunday per month to be in the nursery and be a part of creating a welcoming home at Fairmount Avenue UMC for kids and their families. Contact Ashton Pappas at [ashton@faumc.net](mailto:ashton@faumc.net) to sign up.

### **Help Collect and Deliver First Fruits Food Donations to Keystone**

Sign up at [www.faumc.net](http://www.faumc.net). Deliver donations to Keystone (1800 University Ave. W., St Paul, MN 55104). They accept donations M-F from 9-5 during the week. Mask and gloves required. Food Security Ministry Team: Judy Thielen at [3klsdal@gmail.com](mailto:3klsdal@gmail.com) or Linda Hucke at [linda.hucke@centurylink.net](mailto:linda.hucke@centurylink.net).

### **Adopt-A-Drain— Sign up to Help in 2024!**

We are always looking for volunteers to clean the storm drains near the church: 3 at the corner of Fairmount and Saratoga and 2 on Fairmount just east of Snelling. Volunteers are asked to pick up trash, leaves and debris to allow water to drain. Sign up for a month online at [tinyurl.com/vnm2p9yc](http://tinyurl.com/vnm2p9yc).

### **Help Serve a Meal at Provincial House**

Project Home is looking for volunteers to serve meals as a part of its weekend meal teams at 1880 Randolph Avenue. There are four shifts available every weekend on Saturday and Sunday for lunch and dinner. This is a great opportunity for groups of 3-6 people. For more info or to sign up, visit [tinyurl.com/PHMealTeams2023](http://tinyurl.com/PHMealTeams2023).

### ***Scams: What to be Aware of — Thursday, April 4 at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary***

The Health Team invites all to a presentation by Jacob Hugart. Arrive earlier for a potluck meal in the Wesley Room at 5:30pm. It would be helpful but is not required for those joining the potluck to RSVP to Cindy Bevier (651-641-0745 or [mseeley@msn.edu](mailto:mseeley@msn.edu)) for an estimate of how many tables to set up. If you can't make it to the meal, you are still welcome to attend the program. Invite your friends!

### **MN Reconciling Congregations Spring Social— Saturday, April 13, 11:30am–2:30pm**

Connect with fellow United Methodists, share a dish in a potluck lunch, then join a conversation about General Conference 2024 with members of the Minnesota delegation. Join in person at Hennepin Ave UMC (511 Groveland Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55403) or online at [facebook.com/MNReconcilingCongregations](https://facebook.com/MNReconcilingCongregations).

Rev. Carol Zaagsma and Dave Nuckols, MN Annual Conference delegates to General Conference, will speak in the program beginning at 1:00pm. Livestream available for those who can't attend in person. Information about how to view the program will be on the MN Reconciling Congregations web page: [www.mnrcumc.org](http://www.mnrcumc.org)

### **Next Simpson Meal: April 29**

The next meal at Simpson Housing Services' is on Monday evening, April 29. If you're interested in helping with the meal by shopping, transporting supplies to Simpson, preparing, or serving, look for the signup soon. For more information, contact Dave Hokanson ([hokanson.dave@gmail.com](mailto:hokanson.dave@gmail.com)) or (612)419-9800.

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